

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation – Construction of Flyover (RoB) at (Gopalapatnam to Kothapalem) Visakhapatnam duly sharing the cost in the ratio of 40:30:30 between Government, Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation and Visakhapatnam Urban Development Authority including proportionate ratio of Railway portion - Administrative sanction accorded - Orders – Issued.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (W1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.1458,

Dated: 28.09.2013

Read the following:

- 1) From the Commissioner, Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation, Letter Roc No.63/2009-10/CE/SE(P)/EE(PD-II), Dated:04-06-2011.
- 2) From the Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, Letter Roc.No.14927/2011/H2, Dated:04.04.2012.
- 3) From the Vice-Chairman, Visakhapatnam Urban Development Authority, Visakhapatnam, Letter Rc.No.9048/07/K1, Dated:08.08.2012.

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ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, the Commissioner, Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation has submitted the proposal for according administration sanction for construction of Flyover (RoB) at Gopalapatnam (Gopalapatnam to Kothapalem) of Visakhapatnam, at an estimated cost of Rs.51 crores. He has stated that, the villages on the other side of Railway Track at Gopalapatnam, such as Narava, Meghadripeta, Kothapalem etc., have been facing lot of problems in day to day commuting due to lack of proper connectivity to the city. The vehicles from these areas have to travel through a' Railway under pass at Gopalapatnam' leading to congestion. Further, during rainy season the underpass is getting flooded, causing vehicles to get stranded for hours leading to jams and traffic congestion. This problem is in existence for decades. As a part of solution to this problem, in the year 2005 – 2006, Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation had initiated a proposal for construction of flyover (RoB) at Gopalapatnam connecting to Kothapalem area.

2. The Commissioner, Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation has also stated that, the East Coast Railway authorities, in their Letter, Dt.04.10.2008, have accepted in principal, the proposal and approved the General Arrangement Drawing (GAD) for this RoB (Flyover). This flyover consist of two parts, one belong to Indian Railway and the other to Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation. M/s.S.N.Bhode Associate, Mumbai, are the consultants for the design of the project. The estimate is prepared for Rs. 51.00 Crores with the SSR 2010-11 including Railway portion of Rs.11.00 Crores. The Corporation General Body in its Resolution No 1st cited have approved the proposal. The flyover portion (RoB) in the Railway part crossing the tracks will be payable by Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation and rest of the portion will be by Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation.

3. In view of the above, the Commissioner, Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation, has requested the Government, to issue orders, on the following:

- a) To accord administrative sanction for Rs. 51.00 Cr. for Construction of Flyover (RoB) at Gopalapatnam (Including Railway portion0 and to take further necessary action for calling tenders;
- b) To order to share the expenditure for the project among 3 agencies i.e AP state Government, GVMC and VUDA in the ratio (40:20:40) respectively;
- c) To deposit the amount of Rs. 11.00 cr to Indian Railways' for Railway portion and to request the railway to take up this work as Deposit contribution Work."

4. In the Memo.Dt.10.01.2012, Government have requested the Director of Municipal Administration, to furnish his remarks on the above proposal.

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5. Accordingly, in the referenced 2nd read above, the Director of Municipal Administration, has furnished the report of the Commissioner, Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation, wherein it has been reported that Visakhapatnam, is one of the ancient township on east coast of India, and fastest developing cities in modern India, with population growth of more than 40% coupled with growth of various industries, port & shipping, naval actives refinery and steel plants expansion, there is an urgent need of improved road network and other infrastructure. As a part of its plan to provide improved road network to cater the today's needs and further requirement of transportation facilities, the Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation, proposes for improvement and designing of road network, construction of Flyover and development of major Junctions in the city.

6. It has been further reported that, the surrounding villages of Gopalapatnam were merged in Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation, during the year 2005 and these villages are separated from the City by Railway tracks. At present, it is connected through level crossing, one at Km 871/89 near village (Gate No.1) and at Km 870/11-12 (Gate No.3) near existing road under-bridge (RUB) and another near Simhachalam Foot Over Bridge (Gate No.2). The Roads has to pass through three level crossings and traverse about 1 Km before emerging near Simhachalam Foot Over Bridge. The area of Major Park, Gopalapatnam village and beyond is being served by above level crossings. There is also an existing underpass near Simhachalam station, capable of carrying only light vehicles of Gopalapatnam village and much larger area beyond Simhachalam, which depends solely on the level crossings and that for faster development of this area beyond railway lines, it is necessary to eliminate dependence on level crossing and provide an uninterrupted link capable of carrying heavy vehicles across railway tracks and that the main road of Gopalapatnam going to Araku is serving as the main link to the city and comes close to the railway track near Simhachalam station. Hence a viable link with least cost and minimum problems will be possible near Simhachalam station. Further, the villagers on either side of railway tracks at Gopalapatnam such as Narava, Mehadrigedda, Kothapalem, etc., have been facing lot of problems day to day commuting, due to lack of proper connectivity to the city. The vehicles from these areas have to travel through a "Railway Underpass" at Gopalapatnam leading to congestion. Further during rainy season the traffic congestion fatal accidents also occurring repeatedly while crossing railway track. This problem is in existence for decades and as a part of solution to this problem the Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation, in the year 2005-06 had initiated a proposal for construction of Flyover at Gopalapatnam connecting Kothapalem.

7. It has been also stated that, after getting Reconnaissance and topographical surveys, out of all possible options examined and worked out the construction of Flyover at Gopalapatnam is the most viable option and the Railways in principle have accepted the proposal and approved the General Arrangement Drawing (GAD) for this ROB (flyover). This Flyover consists of two parts, one belong to Indian Railways and the other to Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation. M/s S.N.Bhobe Associates, Mumbai, are the consultants for the design the project. The Estimate is prepared for Rs.51.00 crores with the SSR 2001-11 including Railway portion of Rs.11.00 cr. The Corporation General Body in its Resolution No.1 has approved the proposal. The flyover portion (ROB) in the Railway part crossing the tracks will be executed by the East Coast Railway as a Deposit contribution work (DCW) to be payable by Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation and rest of the portion will be Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation. It has been finally stated that the General body of Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation - vide its Resolution No.431/20211, Dated: 08.04.2011 have resolved to send the proposal to the Government, for according administrative sanction.

8. In the reference 3rd read above, the Vice-Chairman, Visakhapatnam Urban Development Authority, among others, has stated that, in view of the importance of the project which would benefit the public at large, Visakhapatnam Urban Development Authority is ready to contribute 30% of the project cost and requested the Government to consider the revised proposal of Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation, for construction of the above project on revised cost sharing basis i.e., 40:30:30 between Government, Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal

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Corporation and Visakhapatnam Urban Development Authority and also submitted that Visakhapatnam Urban Development Authority is willing to execute the project if the above proposal is accepted by the Government.

9. In the Memo. Dt.27.08.2012, the Commissioner, Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation, has been requested to furnish the remarks on the consent of the Vice Chairman, Visakhapatnam Urban Development Authority for the proposed work in question. Accordingly, he has submitted revised proposal as per SSR 2012-2013. He has stated that the estimate for construction of Fly-over (ROB) at Gopalapatnam is revised with SSR 2012-13 rates and the revised cost of the project works out to Rs.67.69 Crores including railway portion. The estimate also includes provisions for structural compensation for private properties, shifting of utilities and re-construction of affected school building etc.

10. The Commissioner, Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation, has stated that the above project cost is proposed to be shared in the ratio of (40:30:30) between Government, Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation and Visakhapatnam Urban Development Authority respectively. A letter is being addressed accordingly to Visakhapatnam Urban Development Authority, to share 30% of the revised project cost (i.e., 30% of Rs.67.69 Cr. = Rs.20.31 Cr.) and to give its consent to that effect and Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation will share 30%.

11. While furnishing the copies of revised estimates, the Commissioner, Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation, has requested the Government to accord Administrative Sanction for Rs.67.69 Cr. For the construction of Fly-over (ROB) at Gopalapatnam duly sharing the cost in the ratio of (40:30:30) between Government, Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation and Visakhapatnam Urban Development Authority respectively and permit GVMC to take further necessary action including tenders.

12. After examination of the matter, Government have decided to accord administrative sanction for an amount of Rs.67.69 crores for the construction of flyover (RoB) at Gopalapatnam in Visakhapatnam, duly sharing the cost in the ratio of 40:30:30 between Government, Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation and Visakhapatnam Urban Development Authority, including proportionate ratio of Railway portion.

13. Accordingly, administrative sanction is hereby accorded for an amount of Rs.67.69 crores for construction of Flyover (RoB) at (Gopalapatnam to Kothapalem) Visakhapatnam duly sharing the cost in the ratio of 40:30:30 between Government, Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation and Visakhapatnam Urban Development Authority including proportionate ratio of Railway portion.

14. The Commissioner Director of Municipal Administration / Commissioner, Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation / Vice-Chairman, Visakhapatnam Urban Development Authority, shall take necessary further action accordingly.

15. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide their U.O.No.13006/276/A1/Expr.M&F/2013, Dt.09-07-2013.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, Hyderabad.

The Commissioner, Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation, Visakhapatnam.

The Vice-Chairman, Visakhapatnam Urban Development Authority.

Copy to:

The District Collector, Visakhapatnam.

The PS to Principal Secretary (UD), MA&UD Department.

The P.S to Minister for MA&UD.

The PS to Secretary to Chief Minister.

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SECTION OFFICER